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PROCEEDINGS OF

THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

before Chairman Douglas J. Preisse, Deputy Director David Payne, and Board Members Kimberly Marinello, Michael E. Sexton, and Josh Jaffe, on Wednesday, June 8, 2022, beginning at approximately 10:05 a.m., and concluding at approximately 10:33 a.m.

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Matthew Kelly
Carla Patton
Jeffrey Mackey

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1 Primary Election ballot. And I'll turn that over
2 to Jeff Mackey, our director of petitions and
3 filings.

4 MR. MACKEY: I gave her my card
5 already, so.

6 You have before you Exhibit A, which
7 includes 60 candidates whose petitions were timely
8 filed and found to be valid and sufficient. All 60
9 are recommended by staff for certification to the
10 August 2nd special primary, whatever we're calling
11 this election.

12 MEMBER SEXTON: Okay. Mr. Chairman,
13 I move that the Board certify for the August 2nd,
14 2022 Primary Election ballot those candidates
15 listed on Exhibit A, and that these petitions were
16 filed timely and found to be valid and sufficient.

17 I'm sorry. Michael Sexton.

18 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Doug Preisse,
19 second the motion.

20 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's been
21 properly moved and seconded.

22 All those in favor of the motion
23 signify by saying aye.

24 (Vote taken.)

25 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All opposed,

1 same sign.

2 (No response.)

3 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion
4 carries.

5 The next item on the agenda would be
6 those candidates that are recommended for non-
7 certification, and that's Exhibit B. And again
8 I'll turn that over to Jeff Mackey to talk to that.

9 MR. MACKEY: So back in February or
10 March, I forget now, we had four candidates who we
11 previously decided not to recommend for
12 certification. Those four candidates are again on
13 the Exhibit B, first four candidates. We also
14 added five candidates who filed petitions that were
15 deemed not timely, so those have been added to this
16 list per Directive 2022-34 that said we should
17 reject those candidates, as well. So they are on
18 this list, as well.

19 MEMBER JAFFE: Okay. I'm going to
20 move that the Board not certify to the August 2nd,
21 2022 Primary ballot; and my name is Josh Jaffe;
22 those candidates listed on Exhibit B, and that
23 these petitions were found to be invalid and
24 insufficient.

25 MEMBER SEXTON: Michael Sexton, I'll

1 second.

2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's been
3 properly moved and seconded.

4 All those in favor of the motion,
5 signify by saying aye.

6 (Vote taken.)

7 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All opposed,
8 same sign.

9 (No response.)

10 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion
11 carries.

12 In addition to the candidates that
13 were recommended for certification and those that
14 were not recommended for certification, there's one
15 that we kind of have a standalone; Adam Miller,
16 who's a Democratic candidate for state
17 representative in the Ohio House Sixth District.

18 And I will turn that over to
19 Amy Hiers, who is an able assistant here for
20 Jeanine Hummer, who is on vacation.

21 You also see that Antone White, our
22 director, is also on vacation. I don't believe
23 they're vacationing together.

24 MEMBER MARINELLO: But you don't
25 know that for sure.

1 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: But I don't
2 know that to be sure, yeah.

3 MS. HIERS: Good morning. Thank
4 you, Deputy Director Payne. Yes, Amy Hiers on
5 behalf of the Franklin County Prosecutor's Office.
6 I also have with me here Assistant Prosecutor
7 Andrea Hofer. So hopefully between the two of us,
8 we'll be a good enough substitute for Jeanine
9 Hummer and be able to answer any questions you have
10 about this agenda item.

11 We believe, and the reason we wanted
12 to talk to you about it today, is we believe under
13 House Bill 93 and the addendum, that the petition
14 for candidacy of Mr. Miller, that house bill and
15 the addendum actually just doesn't apply to his
16 petition for candidacy. It's a very --

17 MEMBER JAFFE: Before we get into
18 details, can I ask, this is the subject of
19 litigation, right?

20 MS. HIERS: It is.

21 MEMBER JAFFE: Is there any
22 proprietary concern with discussing in an open
23 meeting litigation in which the Board is a party?

24 MS. HIERS: I don't think for the
25 purposes of this agenda item to vote today there

1 is.

2 MEMBER JAFFE: Okay.

3 MS. HIERS: Thank you for that
4 question.

5 So under the specific circumstances
6 in this, with this petition for candidacy; and we
7 did talk to the Secretary of State's Office
8 regarding it, because the circumstances were unique
9 and seemed not to be covered by any of the
10 directives of the Secretary of State. We did reach
11 out and confirm with them that they are in
12 agreement with us that if this Board were to vote
13 to recertify Mr. Miller, because you know you've
14 already certified him once, that if you voted to
15 recertify him, that would be in line with state law
16 and the directives of the Secretary of State.

17 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Could you walk us
18 through to refresh us the set of chronological
19 facts and circumstances?

20 MS. HIERS: Sure. Ms. Hofer will do
21 that. Thank you.

22 MS. HOFER: Yes. So he had
23 previously filed to run in the Sixth District, in
24 the Sixth House District when his previous address
25 was in that district. I believe he filed on

1 February 1st of 2022. I believe at that point the
2 Board did certify his candidacy. So the Directive
3 2022-026 created 2-ZA, that addendum, if you are
4 running in another district.

5 Now, the reason it doesn't apply
6 here, we think, is because he's not looking to run
7 in another district. His previous address was in
8 the Sixth District, which is when he filed his
9 petition. His new address is in the Sixth
10 District. So again, under these narrow
11 circumstances, because he's not actually running in
12 another district from which he applied, that is why
13 we believe that House Bill 93 and that addendum,
14 the 2-ZA form, doesn't apply here.

15 MS. HIERS: And I will note he did
16 timely file his petition.

17 MEMBER JAFFE: If I could just
18 observe a timeline jump that happened in that
19 explanation, I believe. On February 1st when he
20 filed, his address on Roxbury Road was in the Sixth
21 District. But when this Board met to certify,
22 which would have been in early March, I think, he
23 was in the Seventh District; and that is the
24 district that this Board previously certified him
25 to run in. Is my recollection correct? I'm pretty

1 sure that that's what happened.

2 MS. HOFER: I am not sure about what
3 happened at the March meeting. But I mean, the
4 fact is that he's not running in another district
5 now. His new address is in the Sixth District, as
6 will be presented at the August primary.

7 MEMBER JAFFE: Sure. I understand
8 that the district that his new address is in
9 happens to have the same number as the district
10 under a different map that existed around the time
11 of filing.

12 I guess the part that I didn't
13 follow; and I read the written version of this in
14 detail; is, we were instructed in the Secretary of
15 State's two directives essentially to disregard
16 district number and to look at candidate residency
17 when determining which district we should be
18 certifying candidates in. If somebody wrote 12,
19 and they were now in 3, we certified them in 3
20 regardless of what the petition said. The petition
21 district number sort of became immaterial, and the
22 candidate's address was the relevant determiner.

23 Is that, am I characterizing the
24 instruction reasonably, do you think?

25 MS. HOFER: Yes, I think you are.

1 But I just think that that directive was
2 specifically, the 2-ZA form was specifically
3 directed at candidates who were going to run in
4 another district. And as I mentioned, it's still
5 the same district, and so that is why we believe
6 that it doesn't apply.

7 MEMBER JAFFE: Sure.

8 MS. HIERS: Thank you for these
9 questions. And I know that you're probably like,
10 You're not really answering them. But I will say,
11 and this is why, one of the reasons that, you know,
12 when we looked at it and went through it just kind
13 of the way you are, that's why we actually reached
14 out to the Secretary of State's Office to make sure
15 that under these very specific factual
16 circumstances, this was a candidate who could be
17 recertified under these facts and circumstances,
18 so.

19 MEMBER JAFFE: Sure. I'm trying to
20 explore the reasoning so I can wrap my head around
21 it as best as possible. I'm not an attorney, so
22 forgive us for that.

23 MS. HIERS: And you'll forgive us
24 for being attorneys, right?

25 MEMBER JAFFE: Yes. Yes.

1 So the idea that it's not a
2 different district rests entirely on the fact that
3 the district number on his initial petition is the
4 same now as the district number of the district he
5 intends to run in, regardless of the fact that the
6 maps were completely reconfigured, and he did, in
7 fact, move across a district line since the Board
8 last acted on his petition?

9 MS. HOFER: Correct.

10 MEMBER JAFFE: Okay. I guess that's
11 a little bit of a concern to me, but you are the
12 attorneys.

13 And so is that sort of the reasoning
14 not for why we believe he wasn't required to file
15 the 2-ZA addendum form, but maybe why he didn't
16 believe he needed to file the 2-ZA addendum form?

17 And the reason I bring that up is,
18 around the time that that form was required by the
19 Secretary of State to be filed, he wasn't
20 contemplating moving into a different district; he
21 was, in fact, filing a lawsuit against this Board
22 to run for a different office entirely at his
23 address at the time. The Twenty-fifth State Senate
24 District I believe was his plan at that point.

25 So it looks to me based on that,

1 that he's shopping around for the right political
2 opportunity and hoping the Board will grant him
3 access to whatever he has now determined that is.

4 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Shocking.

5 MEMBER SEXTON: So Michael Sexton;
6 the bottom line is, the prosecutor's office is
7 recommending that we certify Adam Miller today?

8 MS. HIERS: We are. Thank you.

9 MEMBER SEXTON: Thank you.

10 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Any other
11 questions or comments from the Board?

12 MEMBER MARINELLO: No questions.

13 Kim Marinello; I move that we
14 certify to the August 2nd, 2022 Primary Election
15 ballot Adam C. Miller, Democratic candidate for
16 State Representative in Ohio House District 6.

17 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: And I, Doug
18 Preisse, second the motion.

19 MEMBER JAFFE: Do a roll call.

20 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: We will do
21 roll call.

22 Kim Marinello.

23 MEMBER MARINELLO: Yes.

24 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Michael
25 Sexton.

1 MEMBER SEXTON: Yes.

2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Doug
3 Preisse.

4 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Yes.

5 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: And Josh
6 Jaffe.

7 MEMBER JAFFE: No.

8 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion
9 carries three to one.

10 The next item on the agenda is the
11 certification of local options. And again I'll
12 turn that over to Jeff Mackey, our director of
13 filings and petitions.

14 MR. MACKEY: Secretary of State's
15 directive advised us that local options could
16 appear. Usually they don't appear at an August
17 special election, because there are no candidates.
18 But we are holding a primary, and there are
19 candidates, and the secretary recommended that we
20 could also run local options at this election.

21 So we did have three local options
22 that were timely filed. 41-C is two questions, so
23 there's two questions there. But they were timely
24 filed. The petitioners indicated that they wish to
25 appear at the August election, and we found them to

1 be valid and sufficient.

2 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Holy geez, never
3 heard of that.

4 MEMBER JAFFE: There's no questions.

5 I'll move that the Board certify it;
6 this is Josh Jaffe; to the August 2nd, 2022 Primary
7 Election ballot those local options listed on
8 Exhibit C, and that these petitions were found to
9 be valid and sufficient.

10 MEMBER SEXTON: This is Michael
11 Sexton. I'll second.

12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's been
13 properly moved and seconded.

14 All those in favor of the motion,
15 signify by saying aye.

16 (Vote taken.)

17 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All opposed,
18 same sign.

19 (No response.)

20 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion
21 carries.

22 The next item on the agenda is the
23 purchase for paper for polling location change
24 cards.

25 Whenever we change polling

1 locations, whether it be permanently or
2 temporarily; in this case, it would be temporarily;
3 we notify all those voters that are affected by
4 sending them a postcard telling them of the change
5 and where their new polling location is.

6 In the August 2nd election, we have
7 been talking with the Ohio Secretary of State, and
8 they've been talking to the other counties, as
9 well, about reducing the number of polling
10 locations.

11 First and foremost, we believe it's
12 going to be a very low-turnout election. We are
13 going to have some difficulty in recruiting poll
14 workers at the numbers that we typically need to
15 run an election. And typically for a countywide
16 election, we need upwards of 4,000 poll workers.

17 The other thing that we're running
18 into some difficulty is getting seasonal workers
19 who have already planned vacations. Those are the
20 folks that program our machines, deliver our
21 machines, that type of thing.

22 And then finally, we're having some
23 difficulty in getting polling locations themselves.
24 Schools that we often use are being renovated, the
25 gymnasiums are being renovated; it's been planned

1 for quite a long time. We often use churches. A
2 lot of those churches are hosting vacation Bible
3 schools and other programs. And then additionally,
4 we use a lot of rec centers, which have already
5 planned for summer programs.

6 So our plan is to reduce the polling
7 locations, because we believe we can, because of
8 low turnout, and also because of the need of lack
9 of poll workers potentially, lack of seasonal
10 workers, and lack of venues themselves.

11 So what we'd like to do is have
12 approval to purchase the stock needed to send
13 polling location change cards to all of those
14 voters affected. And I'm going to guess that it's
15 going to be somewhere around 400,000 voters of the
16 860-some thousand that will be affected. We're
17 thinking of going from 320 polling locations to
18 about 153 polling locations.

19 And again, these would be temporary
20 only for the August election, and then we would go
21 back to our typical polling locations for the
22 November election.

23 Again, this has been, we've been
24 consulting with the Secretary of State and other
25 counties to determine what they're doing. And I

1 think most, if not all, boards of elections will be
2 reducing their polling locations, particularly the
3 larger counties like Cuyahoga, Hamilton, Franklin,
4 that type of thing.

5 So we have a description, a design
6 of our polling cards. This is not different than
7 what we've sent out before, but we wanted to show
8 it to you. On the front of the card where the
9 address goes, that is where it'll be described as
10 to where the new polling location is.

11 Our web page will describe this, as
12 well, so people can go to our web page. We will
13 let all of our folks that answer the phones know of
14 the polling location changes so they can answer any
15 questions that voters have. So and we'll be doing
16 press releases.

17 At all of the old polling locations,
18 we will put up signage to show and tell people
19 where their new polling location goes. So if they
20 don't see it on our web page, they don't understand
21 if they call in, they don't read the postcard; when
22 they go to the old polling location, it will tell
23 them where the new polling location is.

24 So I don't know if that adequately
25 describes what we're trying to do or not or if

1 there's any questions.

2 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Yeah, couple
3 questions. Doug Preisse. What did you say was
4 going to be on this?

5 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: So you'll
6 notice on this side, it just basically tells people
7 that their polling location has moved. On this
8 side, it will have the address that it's going to,
9 but it'll also have the polling -- we will print
10 the new polling location. It'll say, Your new
11 polling location is; it'll give the name of the
12 location and the address of the new location.

13 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: So both sides are
14 going to say, You have a new polling location?

15 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: That is
16 correct. And this side will actually specifically
17 tell them where their new polling location is.

18 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: And if they go on
19 the website, by the time this goes out, it will
20 have been updated, so the voter will see their new
21 temporary?

22 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: That is
23 correct. And typically we send these out, I think
24 the plan is to send these out on July 19th, which,
25 typically two weeks before the election. You don't

1 want to send it out too early, we found out;
2 otherwise people completely forget about it. We
3 found out that about two weeks before the election
4 is the -- is a good time to send that out.

5 MEMBER MARINELLO: Do we have to
6 send them out again for November?

7 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: We won't
8 send them out in November if it reverts back to the
9 location that they're familiar with. So again,
10 this will tell them it's only a temporary location,
11 and in November it will go back to their old
12 location. If it doesn't go back to their old
13 location, we would send them something.

14 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Will you remind
15 us, too, how often we send reminder postcards?
16 Don't we do that on an annual basis?

17 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: We do that
18 every election as far as if your location moves.
19 If it's not --

20 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: If it doesn't
21 move, we don't send anything out?

22 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Correct.

23 MEMBER SEXTON: It's my
24 understanding several other counties do, though.
25 Cuyahoga, every election they send out a notice

1 regardless, not if it changes.

2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: You know
3 what, that could -- I'm not certain. You could
4 very well be right. Maybe that's something we want
5 to look at. You might have a good point, because
6 the one they're used to, the one that they're
7 changing to, and then it's going back. Maybe we
8 want to do that.

9 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: That's what I was
10 kind of thinking about, too.

11 MEMBER SEXTON: I think it's
12 confusing if, you know, you change it in August,
13 and then, you know, you don't get anything, and
14 then you go back to the -- where you voted. So we
15 might want to think about it.

16 MEMBER MARINELLO: Definitely.
17 Because that's not their life like it is ours.

18 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: I think we
19 can, I mean, if that's something that the Board
20 would like to do, I think we -- let's just say
21 we're going to do it. And then we need to make
22 sure that we can get the proper amount of card
23 stock. Because it is -- we've ordered it, and
24 we've ordered it well in advance prior to this
25 election. But we'll have to do that, because I

1 know that paper is at a premium, so.

2 MEMBER MARINELLO: Yes.

3 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Am I talking
4 out of -- Somebody correct me if I'm -- Because I
5 don't want to promise something we can't deliver.

6 MEMBER JAFFE: So this doesn't
7 articulate anywhere that it's likely to be a
8 temporary change.

9 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It will on
10 the front. It'll say, This is a temporary polling
11 location change only for this election. It will
12 tell them where it is. But that, again, they're
13 actually going to be visiting that, so.

14 MEMBER JAFFE: Right.

15 MEMBER MARINELLO: Kim Marinello; I
16 move that the Board authorize the payment of
17 \$47,270.68 to Sterling Paper and the Franklin
18 County Print Shop. The cost includes the purchase
19 of 401,250 sheets of paper card stock and the
20 printing of location change cards for the
21 August 2nd, 2022 Primary Election and future
22 elections.

23 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Doug Preisse,
24 second the motion.

25 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's been

1 properly moved and seconded.

2 All those in favor of the motion,
3 signify by saying aye.

4 (Vote taken.)

5 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All opposed,
6 same sign.

7 (No response.)

8 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion
9 carries.

10 The next item on the agenda is an
11 audit report. And I'll turn that over to Matt
12 Kelly, the director of our absentee ballot
13 department.

14 MR. KELLY: Good morning,
15 Mr. Chairman, members of the Board.

16 On June 6th and 7th, the Franklin
17 County Board of Elections conducted a post-election
18 audit of three races in the May 3rd, 2022 Primary
19 Election, as instructed by directive of the Ohio
20 Secretary of State's Office.

21 The required post-election audits
22 were formatted as simple standard percentage-based
23 audits conducted by selecting just over five
24 percent of total ballots cast in the May 3rd, 2022
25 Primary Election from randomly selected voting

1 locations or lids and all of the precincts
2 contained within those lids. The lids, as you guys
3 know, were chosen during the last Board meeting on
4 May 25th, 2022.

5 The audit consisted of two statewide
6 contested races, the Democratic governor's contest,
7 and the U.S. Republican Senate contest, and one
8 countywide contested judicial race on the
9 Democratic party side between Mike Boyle and
10 Julie Lynch.

11 All of the ballots in the audits
12 were reviewed by teams of sworn Board of Elections
13 employees paired up in bipartisan groups of four,
14 with each team consisting of two Republicans and
15 two Democrats, who would verbally call out
16 candidates. And ballot marks were made in a
17 hand-tally fashion on the ballot cards in those
18 races.

19 The results of the audit are as
20 follows. Comprehensively between all results of
21 all three races included in the audit totaling
22 7,794 ballots that were reviewed and tallied by
23 hand, I'm pleased to report that the overall
24 accuracy rate for Franklin County's post-election
25 audit was 100 percent.

1 This means that all ballots that
2 were hand-counted and tallied as part of this audit
3 in all three contests as part of this audit matched
4 the machine counts exactly, as reported in the
5 official canvas submitted to you on May 25th, 2022.
6 There are no discrepancies, no inaccuracies, no
7 changes, and no findings to this report as a result
8 of the audit.

9 Obviously, this 100-percent accuracy
10 rate is well above the 99.5-percent accuracy rate
11 that's set forth by the Ohio Secretary of State's
12 Office as the minimum standard. Therefore, what
13 the audit concluded and what the 100-percent
14 accuracy rate affirmed, the only action required by
15 the Board today is to accept the contents included
16 in this report and include this affirmation of this
17 report as part of the Board's meeting record.

18 So with that, I ask for your
19 approval and acceptance of this final post-election
20 audit report. Any questions?

21 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: That sounded very
22 good.

23 MR. KELLY: Hundred percent's always
24 good.

25 MEMBER JAFFE: Move to accept the

1 report, and very well done.

2 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Second.

3 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's been
4 properly moved and seconded to accept the audit
5 report.

6 All those in favor of the motion,
7 signify by saying aye.

8 (Vote taken.)

9 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All opposed,
10 same sign.

11 (No response.)

12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion
13 carries.

14 The next item on the agenda is a
15 Most Populous County Report. I'll turn it over to
16 Carla Patton, our director of operations, to give
17 that report.

18 MS. PATTON: Good morning.

19 Before you, you have the summary
20 that includes overlaps of the official results for
21 Franklin County. With us having 100-percent
22 accuracy on our audit and no amendments necessary
23 to our results, before you is the report that
24 includes the overlap counties that report to us for
25 the 15th Congressional race, Democratic and

1 Republican. So you will -- that is the only race
2 that is affected. But the report does contain all
3 races to create a cumulative report of everything.

4 So we just want to present this to
5 you so that you are aware that we have an overlap.
6 No -- The results have all been certified by the
7 respective counties already, so there is no need to
8 certify these results. But this is simply a
9 purpose of presenting you with the overlapping Most
10 Populous results for all races in Franklin County.

11 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Carla, thank
12 you. Would it be appropriate to accept the report?

13 MS. PATTON: We would ask that you
14 accept the report.

15 MEMBER JAFFE: Move to accept the
16 report.

17 MEMBER MARINELLO: Second.

18 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's been
19 properly moved to accept the Most Populous County
20 Report.

21 All those in favor of the motion,
22 signify by saying aye.

23 (Vote taken.)

24 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All opposed,
25 same sign.

1 (No response.)

2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion
3 carries.

4 I don't see anything else on the
5 agenda. Is there anything that needs to be brought
6 up by the Board or --

7 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Doesn't look like
8 it. Thank you.

9 MEMBER SEXTON: The only thing, we
10 have -- what's the status of the meeting on Friday?

11 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Yes. So
12 there is a tentative meeting for protests for
13 Friday at 10 o'clock. Folks have the ability to
14 file a protest for those candidates only that we've
15 certified by 4 o'clock tomorrow. So we won't know
16 until tomorrow at 4:00 p.m. if we need to have a
17 meeting on Friday at 10:00 a.m. So we will let the
18 Board know either way whether we have a protest and
19 we need to meet, or whether we don't and we don't
20 need to meet.

21 MEMBER MARINELLO: Okay.

22 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: We've sent
23 out a notice.

24 MS. GIBBONS: A notice has gone out.
25 I'll send out a cancelation notice if no one files

1 by 4:00 p.m. tomorrow, and I will shoot an email to
2 all of you.

3 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Thank you.

4 I move to adjourn.

5 MEMBER MARINELLO: Second.

6 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: We're
7 adjourned.

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9 Thereupon, the proceedings were adjourned at
10 approximately 10:33 a.m.

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THE STATE OF OHIO:

SS:

COUNTY OF FRANKLIN:

I, Sarah S. Collignon, a Professional Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, correct, and complete written transcript of the proceedings in this matter;

That the foregoing was taken by me stenographically and transcribed by me with computer-aided transcription;

That the foregoing occurred at the aforementioned time and place;

That I am not an attorney for or relative of either party and have no interest whatsoever in the event of this litigation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal of office at Columbus, Ohio, this 5th day of July, 2022.

/s/Sarah S. Collignon
Notary Public, State of Ohio

My Commission Expires: January 9, 2025.

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BROWN, RICHARD **Ballot Name:** Richard Brown **Party:** Democratic
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - man 03rd District (D and R) RICHARD BROWN

Barnacle, Patrick **Ballot Name:** Patrick Barnacle **Party:** Democratic
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - man 15th District (D and R) Patrick Barnacle

ADHIKARI, KASHI **Ballot Name:** Kashi Adhikari **Party:** Democratic
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - man 25TH District (D and R) KASHI ADHIKARI

DEMORA, WILLIAM **Ballot Name:** Bill DeMora **Party:** Democratic
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - man 25TH District (D and R) WILLIAM DEMORA

RUGOLA, JOSEPH **Ballot Name:** Joseph P. Rugola **Party:** Democratic
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - man 25TH District (D and R) JOSEPH RUGOLA

ROTTER, ANDREJ **Ballot Name:** Andrej Rotter **Party:** Democratic
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - man 25th District (D and R) ANDREJ ROTTER

McGraw, Lynne **Ballot Name:** Lynne McGraw **Party:** Democratic
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - woman 03rd District (D and R) Lynne McGraw

Belcher, Courtney **Ballot Name:** Courtney Belcher **Party:** Democratic
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - woman 16th District (D and R) Courtney Belcher

Hykes O'Grady, Pam **Ballot Name:** Pam O'Grady **Party:** Democratic
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - woman 16th District (D and R) Pam Hykes O'Grady

YOUNG, MARLISA **Ballot Name:** Marlisa M. Young **Party:** Democratic
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - woman 25TH District (D and R) MARLISA YOUNG

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Harding, Carolyn **Ballot Name:** Carolyn Harding **Party:** Democratic
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 01 Carolyn Harding

JARRELLS, DONTAVIUS **Ballot Name:** Dontavius Jarrells **Party:** Democratic
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 01 DONTAVIUS JARRELLS

COLE, MICHAEL **Ballot Name:** Michael D. Cole **Party:** Democratic
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 02 MICHAEL COLE

HUMPHREY, LATYNA **Ballot Name:** Latyna M. Humphrey **Party:** Democratic
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 02 LATYNA HUMPHREY

Harrop, Kelly **Ballot Name:** Kelly N. Harrop **Party:** Democratic
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 03 Kelly Harrop

MAKINDE, MAYO **Ballot Name:** Mayo Makinde **Party:** Democratic
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 03 MAYO MAKINDE

Marshall, DaVon **Ballot Name:** DaVon Marshall **Party:** Democratic
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 03 DaVon Marshall

Mohamed, Ismail **Ballot Name:** Ismail Mohamed **Party:** Democratic
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 03 Ismail Mohamed

PEOPLES, LAMAR **Ballot Name:** Lamar D. Peoples **Party:** Democratic
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 03 LAMAR PEOPLES

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LIGHTBODY, MARY **Ballot Name:** Mary Lightbody **Party:** Democratic
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 04 MARY LIGHTBODY

BROWN, RICHARD **Ballot Name:** Richard Brown **Party:** Democratic
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 05 RICHARD BROWN

Kifle, Adhanet **Ballot Name:** Adhanet Kifle **Party:** Democratic
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 06 Adhanet Kifle

Leland, Ben **Ballot Name:** Ben Leland **Party:** Democratic
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 07 Ben Leland

RUSSO, CATHERINE **Ballot Name:** Allison Russo **Party:** Democratic
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 07 CATHERINE RUSSO

LISTON, BETH **Ballot Name:** Beth Liston **Party:** Democratic
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 08 BETH LISTON

ABDULLAHI, MUNIRA **Ballot Name:** Munira Yasin Abdullahi **Party:** Democratic
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 09 MUNIRA ABDULLAHI

FILIPPELLI, PAUL **Ballot Name:** Paul Filippelli **Party:** Democratic
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 09 PAUL FILIPPELLI

HARRIS, RUSSELL **Ballot Name:** Russell Harris **Party:** Democratic
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 10 RUSSELL HARRIS

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MAHARATH, TINA **Ballot Name:** Tina Maharath **Party:** Democratic
STATE SENATOR OHIO SENATE DISTRICT 03 TINA MAHARATH

CRAIG, HEARCEL **Ballot Name:** Hearcel F. Craig **Party:** Democratic
STATE SENATOR OHIO SENATE DISTRICT 15 HEARCEL CRAIG

Burgess, James **Ballot Name:** Jim Burgess **Party:** Republican
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - man 03rd District (D and R) James Burgess

McCloud, Bradley **Ballot Name:** Brad McCloud **Party:** Republican
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - man 03rd District (D and R) Bradley McCloud

HEALY, JOSEPH **Ballot Name:** Joseph Healy **Party:** Republican
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - man 15th District (D and R) JOSEPH HEALY

Reed, Frank **Ballot Name:** Frank J. Reed, Jr. **Party:** Republican
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - man 15th District (D and R) Frank Reed

BROWN, JOSHUA **Ballot Name:** Josh Brown **Party:** Republican
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - man 16th District (D and R) JOSHUA BROWN

HATCHER, GEOFFREY **Ballot Name:** Geoff Hatcher **Party:** Republican
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - man 16th District (D and R) GEOFFREY HATCHER

BAINBRIDGE, MARK **Ballot Name:** Mark A. Bainbridge **Party:** Republican
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - man 25TH District (D and R) MARK BAINBRIDGE

BAINBRIDGE, BRIAN **Ballot Name:** Brian Bainbridge **Party:** Republican
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - man 25TH District (D and R) BRIAN BAINBRIDGE

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BURGESS, JAMES **Ballot Name:** Jim Burgess **Party:** Republican
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - man 25TH District (D and R) JAMES BURGESS

O'BRIEN, RON **Ballot Name:** Ron O'Brien **Party:** Republican
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - man 25TH District (D and R) RON O'BRIEN

DAVIDSON, JO ANN **Ballot Name:** Jo Ann Davidson **Party:** Republican
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - woman 03rd District (D and R) JO ANN DAVIDSON

HAHN, META **Ballot Name:** Meta Hahn **Party:** Republican
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - woman 03rd District (D and R) META HAHN

Martin, Penelope **Ballot Name:** Penny Martin **Party:** Republican
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - woman 15th District (D and R) Penelope Martin

Anderson, Michelle **Ballot Name:** Michelle Anderson **Party:** Republican
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - woman 16th District (D and R) Michelle Anderson

BAYLIFF, STACEY **Ballot Name:** Stacey Bayliff **Party:** Republican
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - woman 25TH District (D and R) STACEY BAYLIFF

O'BRIEN, SUSIE **Ballot Name:** Susie P. O'Brien **Party:** Republican
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - woman 25TH District (D and R) SUSIE O'BRIEN

O'Kane, Colleen **Ballot Name:** Colleen O'Kane **Party:** Republican
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - woman 25TH District (D and R) Colleen O'Kane

LANNING, JEFFREY **Ballot Name:** J. Josiah Lanning **Party:** Republican
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 03 JEFFREY LANNING

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FILLMAN, PAUL **Ballot Name:** Paul Fillman **Party:** Republican
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 04 PAUL FILLMAN

RUDLER, JILL **Ballot Name:** Jill Rudler **Party:** Republican
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 04 JILL RUDLER

Beach, Ronald **Ballot Name:** Ronald Beach IV **Party:** Republican
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 05 Ronald Beach

Wharton, Joe **Ballot Name:** Joe Wharton **Party:** Republican
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 06 Joe Wharton

TRUEMPER, ZULAY **Ballot Name:** Zully Truemper **Party:** Republican
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 08 ZULAY TRUEMPER

KING, SUE **Ballot Name:** Sue Ellen King **Party:** Republican
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 09 SUE KING

Dobos, David **Ballot Name:** David A. Dobos **Party:** Republican
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 10 David Dobos

LANESE, LAURA **Ballot Name:** Laura Lanese **Party:** Republican
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 10 LAURA LANESE

NEUMANN, AARON **Ballot Name:** Aaron Neumann **Party:** Republican
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 11 AARON NEUMANN

TARAZI, OMAR **Ballot Name:** Omar Tarazi **Party:** Republican
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 11 OMAR TARAZI

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REYNOLDS, MICHELE **Ballot Name:** Michele Reynolds **Party:** Republican
STATE SENATOR OHIO SENATE DISTRICT 03 MICHELE REYNOLDS

WYSOCKI, CHANDLER **Ballot Name:** Chandler Wysocki **Party:** Republican
STATE SENATOR OHIO SENATE DISTRICT 25 CHANDLER WYSOCKI

Exhibit B: Candidates Not Recommended for Certification to the August 2, 2022 Special Primary Election Ballot

Josephson, Gary **Ballot Name:** Gary Josephson **Party:** Democratic
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - man 15th District (D and R)
Deficiency: The Candidate failed to sign the Declaration of Candidacy

Beatty, Joyce **Ballot Name:** Joyce Beatty **Party:** Democratic
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - woman 15th District (D and R)
Deficiency: The Petition for Candidate section was not completed.

PATRAY, ERIKA **Ballot Name:** Erika Patray **Party:** Democratic
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 02
Deficiency: Insufficient Valid Signatures: Candidate submitted 57 signatures of which 32 were found to be valid (50 required).

HEALY, ALICIA **Ballot Name:** Alicia Healy **Party:** Republican
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - woman 15th District (D and R)
Deficiency: The Petition for Candidate section was not completed.

Thien, Elizabeth **Ballot Name:** Elizabeth Thien **Party:** Democratic
STATE SENATOR OHIO SENATE DISTRICT 25
Deficiency: Per SOS Dir. 2022-34, the Declaration of Intent to be a Write-In Candidate was not timely filed.

Somani, Anita **Ballot Name:** Anita Somani **Party:** Democratic
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 11
Deficiency: Per SOS Dir. 2022-34, the Declaration of Candidacy was not timely filed.

DEMORA, WILLIAM **Ballot Name:** Bill DeMora **Party:** Democratic
STATE SENATOR OHIO SENATE DISTRICT 25
Deficiency: Per SOS Dir. 2022-34, the Declaration of Candidacy was not timely filed.

Tupes, Bridgette **Ballot Name:** Bridgette Tupes **Party:** Democratic
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - woman 15th District (D and R)
Deficiency: Per SOS Dir. 2022-34, the Declaration of Candidacy was not timely filed.

Cook, Mehek **Ballot Name:** Mehek Cook **Party:** Republican
STATE REPRESENTATIVE OHIO HOUSE DISTRICT 11
Deficiency: Per SOS Dir. 2022-34, the Declaration of Candidacy was not timely filed.

Exhibit C

LOCAL OPTIONS RECOMMENDED FOR CERTIFICATION TO THE AUGUST 2, 2022 SPECIAL PRIMARY ELECTION			
Revised 6/7/2022 10:30 A.M.			
#	Subdivision	Purpose	Rate
	Columbus 12-B Local Option Particular Location	Sunday Sales (Wine and Mixed Beverages and Spirituous Liquor) The Collective Columbus 240 E. Fifth Avenue (1 st Floor & Patio) Columbus, OH 43201	
	Columbus 40-C Local Option Particular Location	Sunday Sales (Wine and Mixed Beverages and Spirituous Liquor) Paulie Gee's Short North 1195 N. High Street, First Floor & Basement, Columbus, Ohio 43201	
	Columbus 41-C Local Option Precinct Wide	Sunday Sales (On Premises)	
	Columbus 41-C Local Option Precinct Wide	Sunday Sales (Off Premises)	